

## State of Alabama

## **Electrical Contractors Board**

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## MINUTES Board Meeting Monday, May 4, 2009

The Alabama Board of Electrical Contractors met on Monday, May 4, 2009, at the Board Office in Montgomery, Alabama in order to conduct business.

The meeting was called to order at 10:07 a.m. and the following members were in attendance: Mr. Kirk Patterson (Chair), Mr. Terry Wallace, Mr. Carl Goss, Mr. Carmon Colvin, Mr. Frank Mastin, and Mr. Albert Hensley. Also in attendance were Mr. Keith Warren (Executive Secretary), Mr. Bill Garrett (Board Counsel), Ms. Hendon Blaylock (Legal Counsel) and Mr. Randy Barrows (Executive Assistant). Member(s) not in attendance was Mr. Donny Cook and Mr. Danny Perry. A quorum was present to conduct business.

The meeting was advertised on the Board's web site, <u>www.aecb.alabama.gov</u>, and on the Secretary of State's web site, <u>www.sos.alabama.gov</u>, in compliance with the Alabama Open Meetings Act.

The minutes of the February 2, 2009 Board meeting were presented for approval. Mr. Hensley made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. The motion was seconded by Mr. Colvin and unanimously approved by the Board.

Mr. Warren presented the Financial Report for the 2009 Fiscal Year along with a detailed list of all payment vouchers and deposit receipts. After discussion, Mr. Goss made a motion to approve the financial report as presented. The motion was seconded by Mr. Wallace and unanimously approved by the Board.

Mr. Warren updated the Board regarding legislation. The House and Senate Bills have both been passed out of their respective committees and inline to be placed on the calendars. Hopefully, the Board will be successful in passing this legislation this year.

Mr. Patterson presented an Out-Of-State Travel Request for Mr. Warren to attend the 2009 NASCLA Fiscal Policies & Procedures Committee Meeting in Baltimore, Maryland. Mr. Warren informed the Board that NASCLA will reimburse him for travel

expenses to attend this meeting. Mr. Colvin made a motion to approve this Out-Of-State Travel request. The motion was seconded by Mr. Mastin and unanimously approved by the Board.

Mr. Warren presented the legal contract for Ms. Hendon Blaylock to be legal counsel for the Board. Mr. Warren informed the Board that the committee appointed at the last meeting agreed to recommend Ms. Blaylock due to her extensive background and experience in administrative law. The legal contract is for a two-year period at a rate of \$120 plus \$4,000 for expenses with a total of \$49,000 per year of the contract. Mr. Colvin made a motion to approve the contract for Ms. Blaylock as Legal Counsel for the Board. The motion was seconded by Mr. Wallace and unanimously approved by the Board.

Mr. Patterson presented concerns regarding reciprocal agreements and procedures in the states the Board currently has agreements. The concern is the amount of time an applicant must wait before their application is approved and a license is issued. A reciprocal applicant for Alabama is review by the Executive Secretary and processed by the staff within 14 days of the receipt of the application. With the concern of applicants not receiving the same convenience in other states, Mr. Patterson recommended the Board consider only approving reciprocal applicants at the quarterly meetings. After discussion, Mr. Mastin made a motion that all reciprocal applicants must be reviewed and approved only at quarterly meetings, effective immediately. The motion was seconded by Mr. Colvin and unanimously approved by the Board.

Mr. Warren presented the journeyman electrician rule for the Board to review. This was the latest draft from the previous meeting and Mr. Warren recommended it needed to be resolved. After review and discussion, the Board recommended that Mr. Warren and Ms. Blaylock continue the work on this rule and present it at the August Board meeting.

Mr. Warren presented the revised application. After review and changes, the Board recommended that after the revisions are made to distribute the application to the Board for additional review.

The Board conducted the review of applications for examinations. After review, Mr. Mastin made a motion to the applications for examinations (list attached). The motion was seconded by Mr. Colvin and unanimously approved by the Board.

The next Board meeting will be held Monday, August 3, 2009 at 10:00 a.m. There being no further business, Mr. Mastin made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 12:35 p.m. The motion was seconded by Mr. Colvin and unanimously approved by the Board.

Respectfully Submitted, Kirk A. Patterson Executive Secretary